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TRAVELER RESTS: Biker, Lauren Kanner, leans her bike up against the window of Grounds for Thought on Monday night.

Bikers tour stops in BG

Bob Moser
COPY CHIEF

Whether it be through blistering heat, sheets of rain or impenetrable wind, a group of young Americans have traveled across the United States with the goal of educating citizens on their rights as voters.

And the coolest part is they rode bicycles.

Starting from Portland, Ore., on Aug. 12, Bikes For Democracy has already traveled over 3,000 miles out of a total 3,600 mile trip; with the destination of Washington, D.C. set for a week after the Nov. 2 election.

The group rode into Bowling Green on Monday afternoon, the final day of voter registration in the state of Ohio. With a goal of 2,004 registrants across the country, BFD was about 50 vot-

ers shy with time running out.

Without hesitation the group made its way onto the BGSU campus and surpassed its goal of 2,004, collecting over 100 new registrants within an hour.

The concept for BFD was first conceived in Nov. 2003. Two of the original members — Mike Sowiski of Buffalo, NY and Brianna Cayo-Cotter of Washington, D.C. — were just hanging out together, discussing how upset they were to know that only half the U.S. population voted in 2000.

"Brianna and I were doing what a lot of people our age do, we were sitting around and complaining, and we realized that we wanted to do something creative and positive instead," Sowiski said. "We wanted to bike for something, not against

something. We've talked for years about biking across the country, but never thought we could afford it or find the time. This seemed to be a good window in our lives to make the commitment."

Originally consisting of just five riders, BFD has generated such a popular following through both word-of-mouth and the Internet that five more people joined up with the group during stops in Madison, Wis., and Minneapolis, Minn.

Now traveling 10-strong on their way to the nation's capitol, BFD has riders from the following states: New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maine, New York, Maryland, Oregon, Texas and Massachusetts.

20-year-old Lauren Kanner learned about Bikes For Democracy through an Internet web site and decided to join the ride in Minneapolis.

"Registering voters, making sure their votes counted and making sure voters were informed...those values really attracted me to the group," she said. "And I really love biking as well."

Along with the five new members who joined BFD midway through the trip, countless other Americans have joined the group for brief trips on a

two-wheeler.

"We've had a lot of people who joined on for day-rides, or a lot would guide us out of cities," Cayo-Cotter said. "Our first ever guest rider was a 10-year-old girl in Wayland, Wash."

"A guy running for Secretary of State in North Dakota joined us for an 80-mile ride," she said. "He was a serious biker, and he taught us how to ride in pace lines and all this other stuff. It's been a really unexpected and exciting part of the trip."

The bikers shared some interesting facts this past Monday night at Grounds for Thought with an audience who gathered to hear their stories.

One was the open-arms voting policy that citizens living in North Dakota benefit from. Residents of the state only have to show up to the polls on election day and present proof of residency in order to vote. If they do not bring a utilities bill or other document with them, then a neighbor in the community can vouch for the person's proof of residency.

According to the members of BFD, North Dakota was the first state to create voter registration forms, and the only state right now that doesn't have a

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STORIES: Kanner (far right) and Benji Whatley (second from right) share tales from the road with local residents.

Domestic violence confronted

By Laura Collins
REPORTER

The University will observe Domestic Violence Awareness Month beginning today with the Silent Witness Unveiling.

The unveiling of 30 life-sized silhouettes will take place at noon in Olscamp Hall, room 101B, and is the first of seven events that will occur on campus this month.

Rebecca Nichols Theis, the Women's Center's victim advocate expects a nice size audience at the campus' third annual Silent Witness Unveiling.

"The Silent Witness is a very powerful ceremony to honor women in northwest Ohio who were murdered as a result of domestic violence," Theis said.

In addition to the unveiling, there will also be an open microphone for family members of the victims, as well as others, to speak or share experiences.

Deidra Bennett, coordinator of

the Transformation Project at the Women's Center, said she hopes that by talking about the women who have been murdered, it will make domestic violence less of a private issue.

"When we actually tell someone's story who is from our community, it makes it more real to us," Bennett said.

In addition to the Silent Witness Project, another event on campus is the Animal Cruelty and Family Violence Workshop. This event takes place on Oct. 19 in the Ice Arena Lounge at noon. It takes a closer look at the relationship between cruelty to animals and other types of abuse.

On Oct. 20 and 21, the Clothesline Project will take place on the Education Building Lawn

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For this event, over 400 T-shirts made by survivors or friends and family members of survivors of domestic violence will be displayed.

Different colored shirts will be used to represent different crimes, and a white shirt will represent a woman who has been murdered.

Bennett says she hopes the outcome of the event will let other women who have been victims of domestic violence know they are not alone and that help is available.

"We hope to raise awareness about domestic violence and dating violence in our community, as well as provide help for those who need it," Bennett said.

In conjunction with the Clothesline Project is Hands are Not for Hurting. The event will take place on the Education Building steps, and will give students an opportunity to take a pledge against violence by leaving a handprint to represent their commitment.

The month's activities will conclude with the Silent Witness Re-Shrouding at noon on Nov. 3 in Prout Chapel. Here, friends, family members and supporters will gather to pay tribute to women who have lost their lives to domestic violence. The event is meant to be a reminder that women affected by domestic violence won't be forgotten.

Theis said she expects these events and activities to help inform the students on campus.

"I hope the events raise awareness on campus so people understand there are resources to help," she said.

"When we actually tell someone's story who is from our community, it makes it more real to us."

DEIDRA BENNETT



Julie DiFranco BG News

SIGNING: Juan Williams, of Fox News Channel and NPR radio, shared

Journalist challenges students to participate

by Amanda Hooper
REPORTER

Straight from the beltway to Bowling Green, political analyst Juan Williams was to give a standing room only audience his views of the 2004 election last evening.

Williams, during the speech, said his goal goes beyond expressing his political vantage point.

"As I come before you tonight, it's not to really speak to you from any one political perspective," Williams said. "It's not to give you some lesson or lecture about American politics from Washington. That is a horror show."

Williams' numerous endeavors focus on creating change through politics.

"Juan Williams has been doing something. He has been standing up and speaking out," said Kathy Bradshaw, assistant professor of journalism, as she

introduced Mr. Williams.

As an NPR correspondent and Fox News analyst, Juan Williams offered young people an alternative to Washington politics.

"Your voice really needs to be heard," Williams charged.

"It's not about people who are talking heads on television, like me, shouting back and forth at each other, wagging their fingers, trying to make smart points. It's really about people who understand that America is in the midst of tremendous political change."

He told the audience that census numbers show that one fourth of the population is under 18, and yet politicians don't speak to the youth.

"Too often what happens in mass media in this country is you're given a sleeping pill. The

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Amnesty Int'l petitions for Sri Lanka

By Nicole Delisio
CITY NEWS EDITOR

In response to thousands of disappearance cases in Sri Lanka over 24 years, the University's Amnesty International chapter is holding a petition drive to encourage investigation from the Sri Lankan government.

By sending the petition, which will be on the first floor of the Union until Thursday, Amnesty members are hoping to bring a quicker response from a government who's nation has had thousands of killings, rapes and abuse cases along with the disappearances.

"We're saying, 'Make it go a

little faster here.' We're trying to expedite the process, and let them know it's a grave injustice being done to millions of people," president Kathryn Tucker said.

About 15,000 disappearance cases have been reported since 1980. Cases occurred in within two major sources of conflict: the confrontation of Tamil separatist groups and government forces in northern Sri Lanka, and the confrontation between the People's Liberation Front and government forces in the south.

There have been no reported convictions or prosecutions for

an overwhelming number of the cases, many of which have been against the Tamils and Sinhales.

Sri Lanka formed a commitment to correct these abuses in 1994 when the People's Alliance Party, lead by president Chadraka Kumaratunga, came to power. Whether or not Kumaratunga has done anything to address the disappearances is questionable.

"It sounds like she could be doing a lot more," Tucker said. "These are her countrymen—the Tamils and the Sinhales."

The United Nations and Norway are assisting with the situation by trying to facilitate

peace talks between the LTTE and the Tamils.

On February 23, 2002 the Sri Lankan government signed a cease-fire agreement that offered renewed hope for improvement with the human rights situation. Amnesty International is aware of 22 killings and 16 attempted killings, abductions and other abuses that have occurred since then against Tamils.

The fate of some people who have been abducted is still unknown. Amnesty International is concerned

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FOUR-DAY FORECAST

The four-day forecast is taken from weather.com

THURSDAY



Mostly Sunny

High: 77°
Low: 49°

FRIDAY



Showers

High: 70°
Low: 53°

SUNDAY



Partly Cloudy

High: 64°
Low: 34°

MONDAY



Mostly Sunny

High: 64°
Low: 38°

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Student accused of homicide

By Denise Lavoie
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.— A Harvard graduate student accused of stabbing a teenager to death testified yesterday he was being brutally beaten by two men and feared for his life when he pulled his knife.

Alexander Pring-Wilson, 26, got on one knee in front of the jury to dramatically re-enact the street fight that resulted in the death of Michael Colono, an 18-year-old cook.

Pring-Wilson is on trial for first-degree murder. The case has highlighted long-simmering tensions between working-class residents of Cambridge and students at the elite Ivy League school.

Pring-Wilson said he was walking home from a nightclub in the early morning of April 12, 2003, when he passed Colono sitting in a car outside a pizzeria with his cousin and his cousin's girlfriend.

Pring-Wilson said he was talking on his cell phone when he heard someone call to him from the car. He said he thought they were asking for directions, so he approached the driver's side door and asked if someone was addressing him.

He said a man in the front seat responded with an expletive and Pring-Wilson had a similar reply and started to walk away.

"That's when, boom, he came out of the car," Pring-Wilson said, swinging his fists in the air. "He hit me in the nose, right off the bat, and kept slamming at my head. He was just out of control."

Then he said he felt someone else hit him from behind, "over and over and over and over."

Earlier in the trial, Colono's cousin, Samuel Rodriguez, testified that he went to Colono's aid when Pring-Wilson started to get the upper hand in the fight. But Rodriguez said he landed only a single punch to Pring-Wilson's head.

Pring-Wilson said he reached into his pocket for his folding knife and began flailing it around over his head. He felt the blade make contact, then Colono and Rodriguez broke for their car.

His version of events differed substantially from those of Rodriguez and Rodriguez's girlfriend, Giselle Abreu, who said Pring-Wilson was the aggressor, reacting angrily when Colono ridiculed him for stumbling drunkenly down the street.

Prosecutors have said Pring-Wilson gave at least five different accounts to police, telling them at first that he'd only witnessed a fight, then saying that he'd tried to intervene in a fight, then finally acknowledging he may have stabbed someone.



Ted Fitzgerald Pool AP Photo

SELF DEFENSE: Alex Pring-Wilson points to the pocket in his jeans where he said he kept his knife.

In a combative cross-examination, Assistant District Attorney Adrienne Lynch accused Pring-Wilson of stabbing Colono.

"Unfortunately I did, and I feel horrible, OK?" he responded, his voice cracking.

Lynch challenged Pring-Wilson's assertion that he was cowering on his knees when he flailed the knife around, saying the angle of Colono's wound suggested otherwise.

"So you just happened to get a lucky shot into his heart?" Lynch asked.

"I wouldn't call it lucky," Pring-Wilson said. "It's the most horrible thing."

An honors graduate of Colorado College, Pring-Wilson was studying for his master's degree in Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard. He took a leave of absence from school after his arrest last year.

If convicted of first-degree murder, he faces an automatic sentence of life in prison without possible parole.

Williams advises consciousness

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sleeping pill that says to you 'you can't make a difference. Just sit at home and watch people scream at each other on TV.'

He drew the comparison between popular TV shows, like "Friends," "Seinfeld" and "The O.C."

"They are our most popular shows...about a small group of people who are focused almost obsessively on their own needs, on their own little dramas...they have no sense of that there are broader issues in the world," Williams said.

Williams spoke directly to students about rising above ordinary expectations.

"Defy people who want to give you that sleeping pill. Spit it out and understand that you have a role to play in American society today," he urged.

As a historian and author of an acclaimed biography on

Thurgood Marshall, Williams made an example of how Marshall rose from a student to a role of political influence.

"What you see here is a rising political consciousness in a young mind," Williams said. "The understanding that he has the power to create social change, to make a difference if only he will use his power."

Juan Williams' extensive combination of accomplishments and experience brought him to Bowling Green as the 2004 Currier Visiting Lecturer.

"He's an insider, but he's not," said Victoria Ekstrand, assistant professor of journalism. "He's got a very good handle on the rest of the country."

The Currier Speaker Committee, made up mostly of journalism faculty, started planning this lecture last spring. The Florence and Jesse

Currier Endowment makes this lecture series possible.

"There is no way our operating budget could afford this kind of speaker," said Linda Glomski, administrative assistant in the school of communication studies.

The committee felt that Williams' experience made him the right choice for this year.

"We knew it was election year. We were looking for a journalist who could talk about the election," said Nancy Brendlinger, associate professor of journalism.

She also cited "the fact that he had a television presence as well as a radio presence" as a way to bring in students.

It apparently was a successful tactic: Students appeared in such large numbers that some had to watch Williams' speech from the sidelines.

Bikers for Democracy ride on

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voter registration process. North Dakota also happens to have the highest voter turnout in the country.

"At first they created [registration] to help facilitate the process and found that later it became a barrier so they took it out," Sowiski said.

Each of the members of BFD took time to recount their favorite experiences from the cross-country trip thus far.

Rider Ariella Cohen has been impressed with the level of community activism she's seen from young people.

"The other day we were in Indiana, and we met this kid who worked for a citizens awareness group in the area," she said. "Because he felt there was nothing to do in his town, he petitioned for a skate park to be built, and is petitioning for a new radio station because there was no station in his state that played non-commercial music. I found that so astounding and amazing that there's people all over the country doing work that we don't even know about."

Brianna Cayo-Cotter has found inspiration in visiting states that are considered "swing," whether it be on the local or presidential levels.

"So many national organizations didn't even bother with Montana, it was kind of written off as a republican state," she said. "We go into Montana and so much was going on in their local issues, it was a swing election for their state. There are huge issues going on there

about indigenous rights, environmental stuff and gay-rights."

Benjy Whatley has appreciated having the opportunity to correct some of the misconceptions that people across the country have had about their right to vote.

"We've registered people who've been given misinformation by their families, or work, or even sometimes by their parole officers," he said.

Many citizens who have committed a felony in the past were unaware that they had the right to vote, Whatley said. Others were actually told by their parole officers that they could not vote.

Bikes For Democracy has heard many other stories of voter disenfranchisement while riding across the nation. Mike Sowiski can recall two from the state of Wisconsin alone.

"In Madison, we heard of a group spreading information to low-income people, saying that if they show up at the polls they would be forced to pay any unpaid bills," he said. "In Milwaukee, we heard examples from the last round of the primaries, people wearing official-looking green vests that were doing intentional intimidation and misinformation of people at the polls."

Ariella Cohen has found it surprisingly simple to both correct the misconceptions that have led to voter apathy across the country and leave citizens excited about the electoral process again.

"We found a lot of people didn't know the voter laws of

their state, and it's really easy to take the minute to correct a mistake, and then they are happy and will vote," she said.

Bikes For Democracy spent all of Tuesday in Bowling Green, aiding local activist groups throughout the day. They also joined in a mass bike ride group on Tuesday afternoon, promoting bicycle travel over cars and pollution. The riders then took the time to participate in an art workshop last night at the UCF community center with members of the College Democrats and student group ReachOut.

They will leave Bowling Green and continue eastward through Ohio on Wednesday morning.

When asked about Ohio's battleground status, Brianna Cayo-Cotter tried to emphasize that a lot of people around the country are relying on voters from the Buckeye state.

"One thing we hear a lot from people we are trying to register is they feel their vote doesn't matter," she said. "But if you're living in Ohio, you know that your vote makes a huge impact."

Above all else, the goal of Bikes For Democracy during this trip has been to reignite the democratic flame that has failed to burn inside many of America's citizens for so long.

"I'm trying to urge everyone to vote because so many people in this country can't but want to, whether they are immigrants, or too young, or locked up," Mike Sowiski said. "In addition, what we do in the U.S. affects people worldwide, and they would have wanted a say as well."

Sri Lankan disappearances prompt action by campus group

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that these abuses are part of a campaign by the LTTE against the Tamils. Amnesty treasurer Jeanette Beal said rape is one of the main abuses happening.

"Rape is a big thing that most countries in a time of war don't acknowledge, but it happens to women, men and children and that is a violation of human rights," Beal said.

The LTTE and Tamils made commitments that demonstrated intent to right the situation in March of 2003. Political assassinations in the country that have happened since then could undermine any improvements that have been made.

Amnesty International believes there has been a lack of credible investigation into these killings, and no measures to protect those at risk.

The poor investigation might be based on a lack of concern from other countries. According to Beal, Americans could help

by paying more attention to the Sri Lanka crisis.

"There's so much turmoil in that area and a lack of concern from the international com-

"I think there's a whole lot of people who don't know a whole lot beyond America's borders, and I think it increases people's knowledge."

KATHRYN TUCKER

munity," Beal said. "If we want to improve the quality of life for the world, let's do it. Let's move beyond what the president thinks is the popular catchphrase of the day."

Amnesty International is

mainly concerned with the human rights aspect of these disappearances and abuses. This is the first time the University's chapter has taken action for the situation, but Amnesty International across the nation and in other countries have sent letters to Kumaratunga.

According to Beal and Tucker college students have plenty of reason to be concerned with a petition like theirs.

"I think there's a whole lot of people who don't know a whole lot beyond America's borders, and I think it increases people's knowledge," Tucker said.

Beal, who is hoping to get 400 signatures on the petition, said it helps students get an international perspective.

"There's more to the world than the cornfields of Bowling Green, Ohio," Beal said. "As future leaders, teachers, entrepreneurs, I expect us to have a global focus—especially if America is a superpower."



"I want us to be something that we can't be."

"If this is a crush, I don't think I could take it if the real thing ever happens."

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SCHOLARSHIP Announcements

HARRY V. FRANKFATHER SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: October 15, 2004

The Harry V. Frankfather Scholarship was established to recognize Bowling Green State University students who are employed as a means to assist with their educational expenses. There will be eight \$3000 awards for the 2004-2005 academic year.

Students meeting the following criteria are encouraged to apply:

- Sophomore, junior, senior at BGUSU
- Full-time undergraduate enrolled for 12 or more semester credit hours
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Have a 2004-2005 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file in the Student Financial Aid (SFA) Office
- Employed at least 10 hours per week for pay either on or off campus*

*Verification of employment and hours worked required

Applications are available on-line at the SFA website: <http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/sfa>, on display outside the SFA Office at 231 Administration Building, or in the Office of Student Employment at 315 Saddle Creek Student Services Building.

EDWIN L. MOSELEY SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: October 15, 2004

Dr. Edwin L. Moseley made this scholarship available through his estate because of his commitment to education. His intent was to financially assist students who demonstrate a degree of scholarship and moral character. There will be five \$3000 awards for the 2004-2005 academic year.

BGSU students who meet the following criteria are encouraged to apply:

- Sophomore, junior, senior with at least 30 BGSU credit hours
- Graduate students
- Demonstrated financial need for the award year that the scholarship is being offered. (2004-2005 FAFSA on file)
- Cumulative BGSU GPA 3.0 or higher for undergraduates/cumulative BGSU 3.4 or higher for graduate students.
- Submit a personal statement (500 words or less) which describes any contributions to the community and/or society that have been made, and the educational value received from these experiences.
- Submit two letters of recommendations from BGSU faculty or administrators.

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The Microsoft Corporation's street team will be on campus today in the Pedestrian Mall area to distribute free copies of their latest educational investment, OneNote. The software is normally priced at \$49, and allows people to effectively organize and share notes on computers and mobile devices.

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8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

"Three Weeks on Malta"
Works from Large Format
Digital Imaging
Union Galleries

8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

GLIPA 52nd Annual Fall
Scholastic Journalism
Workshop
Planning for approximately
1000 junior and senior high
school students and advisers
to attend over 60 sessions on
yearbook, newspaper, broad-
cast, and photography. Session
leaders are media profession-
als, faculty, and award-win-
ning advisers. Most sessions
conducted in BTSU. This is the
largest academic based work
shop held at BGSU and will be
one of the largest in the
nation.
Student Union

Noon - 12:30 p.m.

Come pray for our campus,
country, and world or come if
you would like to be prayed
for individually.
We will guide people in pray-
ing for certain things or allow
them to share what they
would like prayer for. Outward
focused.
Prout Chapel

Noon-1 p.m.

Brown Bag Lunch: "The Silent
Witness Un-Veiling"
In this annual event, volun-
teers and staff of The
Transformation Project will
unveil the Northwest Ohio
Silent Witness Initiative. Silent
Witnesses are life-sized sil-
houettes representing indi-
vidual women who have been

murdered in acts of domes-
tic violence. The Northwest
Ohio collection has (unfortu-
nately) more than 30 witness-
es who will be honored at this
solemn unveiling ceremony
of respect and remembrance.
The service also will be attend-
ed by parents, siblings, chil-
dren and friends of the vic-
tims being remembered.
Please help The
Transformation Project make
their silenced voices heard
once more. In recognition of
Domestic Violence Awareness
Month.
Olscamp Hall, Room 101B

6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

CNC Weekly Meeting
Catholic Newman Club is an
official student led BGSU
organization open to all stu-
dents and other members of
the BGSU community. The
mission of Catholic Newman
Club is to empower our mem-
bers and others towards spiri-
tual and intellectual growth.
We do this by spreading the
message of the gospels
through service to others,
exploring social justice issues,
retreats and prayer services,
and many social activities.
St Tom's Parish, 425 Thurstin
Ave. In the Fire Side Lounge

6 p.m.

6 O'clock Series: Atkins, South
Beach, Eat right for your type!
This session will discuss the
popularity of the high protein,
low carbohydrate diet craze,
the health risks and benefits
of these diets, and ways to
make changes that put you
on the path to successful

weight loss.

Union 222-Smith
Multicultural Lounge

7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

International Careers Network
meeting
Find out your particular
strengths in the workplace
and

strategize about translating
these into a career in the inter-
national arena.

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good at and how you can get
paid for it, please join us! We
are here to help you explore
your career options in the
international field!
101 Shatzel Hall

7 p.m.

Analyze This!...Recognizing
and Treating Depression
Presentation on depres-
sion sponsored by the
Wellness Connection.
Union 308-McMaster Room

8 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Campus Worship
Sponsored by Active
Christians Today
Prout Chapel

8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Francisco Rojas plays in the
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It's Wednesday Night in
the Pub again! The Bowen-
Thompson Student Union
presents a live performance by
musician Francisco Rojas.
Bring your friends and get
ready for a night of awe-
some music. Don't forget,
it's Wednesday Wings, so come
ready to eat!
Union Black Swamp Pub

Schools encourage student registration

By Dwayne Campbell
(KRT)

Nationally in 2000, only 42 percent of eligible 18-to-24-year-olds voted. That was down from 55 percent in 1972, the first time that 18-, 19- and 20-year-olds could vote for president.

In Pennsylvania, where 18-to-24-year-olds make up 12 percent of eligible voters, only 36 percent of them turned out in 2000.

"The prediction is that this is going to be a very close election and any increase in young people voting could be the margin," said Ingrid Reed, director of the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers University. "If on one big college campus you get 2,000 or 3,000 more kids to vote than in the past, it certainly could make a difference. Both parties know that."

Part of the push this year stems from 1988, when Congress reauthorized the federal Higher Education Act; it requires colleges receiving federal funds to make a "good-faith effort" to help students register to vote.

That has largely not happened, according to a Harvard University Institute of Politics study published this month, which found that "more than one-third of schools fail to meet even the spirit of federal law."

Schools such as Temple University, the University of Pennsylvania and Princeton University have formed faculty-student groups to push registration in a nonpartisan manner. For the political parties, which in recent years have not spent much energy wooing the apparently uninterested youth vote,

this election marks a change in course.

To help their 1,200 national chapters register students and recruit volunteers, the College Republicans have hired 60 field representatives. Most are deployed to schools in swing states—eight in Pennsylvania and six in Ohio. None were sent to New Jersey.

The Republican field representatives report having recruited more than 40,000 students since late August.

"Students are just excited about this election... somewhere from 65 to 70 percent of students say they intend to vote," said Alison Aikele, communications director for the Washington-based College Republican National Committee, which began at the University of Michigan 112 years ago. "We're talking about millions of students on campuses across America. It could be a very big deal."

The Republican recruiters—like the Democrats—have focused on students likely to vote their way.

"We're not here to help the Democrats do their job," said David Copley, 21, a student at Penn's Wharton School, who is state chairman of the Pennsylvania Federation of College Republicans. "Our focus is to identify Republican voters and make sure they are registered and that they vote on Election Day."

On the Democratic side, the college arm of the Democratic National Committee trained 1,500 college students from all 50 states during the party's

"The prediction is that this is going to be a very close election and any increase in young people voting could be the margin."

INGRID REED, DIRECTOR OF THE
EAGLETON INSTITUTE OF POLITICS AT
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

Boston convention to carry out recruitment and registration programs in their states.

Earlier this month, DNC chairman Terry McAuliffe made an appearance at Penn along with West Wing actress Melissa Fitzgerald, a Penn graduate.

About 400 students at the Annenberg Center, many waving handmade Kerry-Edwards signs, applauded enthusiastically as McAuliffe blasted President Bush and Fitzgerald criticized his environmental record.

McAuliffe reminded students to vote and to tell friends—and strangers—to vote, because Pennsylvania is a must-win swing state for the party.

"Students are known for not necessarily voting in very high numbers, but they are now motivated," said Richard Eisenberg, 21, head of the Penn Democratic club that organized McAuliffe's campus visit. "The energy we've seen coming back to campus this year is nothing like we've had before. We signed up 700 new members last week. It's been incredible."

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"Dear Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grade Parents: It is with great regret that I tell you that your child may have been exposed to alcohol today at lunch."

Alexandria (Va.) Country Day School head ALEXANDER HARVEY IV, in a letter to parents, on the school's kitchen staff's mistakenly serving students tequila and margarita mix that was left over from a teacher function. They thought it was limeade. (Washington Post)

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OPINION

STAFF EDITORIAL

Domestic abuse crosses genders

The phrase "domestic violence" holds many stereotypes. The main one being that it is only women who get abused in a relationship.

In recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we at The BG News wish to educate students on the reality of domestic violence, covering all genders and relationships.

Domestic violence, or relationship abuse can be classified into five different categories: verbal abuse, emotional/psychological

abuse, resource abuse (which includes destruction of property or sabotage), and sexual abuse or physical abuse.

It is approximated that one in five female students report being physically and/or sexually abused by a dating partner. Additionally, the University is estimated to have 395 rapes occur per 10,000 women in the student population, according to The Transformation Project at the Women's Center on campus.

Conversely, in 1998, 43

percent of domestic violence claims against a dating partner were by male victims, according to The National Center for Victims of Crime. The statistics also show that one in six adult men will be sexually assaulted in his lifetime.

Unfortunately, this information is not commonly known to students, nor is the idea of men being abused or violated by women.

Why is this so hard for students to fathom? Men get raped. Men

get abused, and more often than not it is by women.

Sixteen to 24 percent of college-aged men are coerced into unwanted sex, but just like the female statistics, these make up a small percentage of actual occurrences: those being reported.

As a result, the stereotype of domestic violence as solely male to female needs to be squashed.

Moreover, in the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered community, 25-33 percent of couples experience

domestic violence.

What this boils down to, and what Domestic Violence Awareness Month hopes to accomplish, is the acknowledgement of all individuals who get abused.

Granted, the overwhelming majority of victims of violence are women at 90 percent. The BG News would like to make it clear that no matter what the race, gender or sexual orientation, domestic violence crosses all borders.

In response to this, we propose that in addition to literature about female violence, the number of pamphlets, series and educational tools concerning domestic violence of males and homosexuals should be increased.

A significant blow is dealt to a young man's "machismo" after being abused by either a woman or man. Special focus should be attributed to these situations to alleviate the immense pressure placed of gender roles our society places on young men.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Discrimination should not be condoned by U.

Do we really need a task force to determine that conditions for LGBT people are unacceptable at Bowling Green State University? The University openly sanctions inequitable treatment of LGBT people. Don't believe it? Consider this: the University's official nondiscrimination policy in the Student Handbook acknowledges that outside organizations who have a relationship with the University can discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation. The University's policy states that it will tolerate discrimination from 'outside organizations including the federal government, the military and ROTC' (p. 43). This is truly a stunning display of doublethink and doublespeak on the University's part.

Additionally, the University does not provide benefits to unmarried domestic partners. This means that even though I have been an employee of BGSU since 1990, my partner of 20 years has no access to health benefits nor has she ever had access to these partner benefits during all my years of employment at the University. Instead, she currently pays over \$4000 a year for health insurance. Were I to marry a man tomorrow, he would be eligible immediately for benefits as my spouse. The discriminatory practice seems rather obvious, doesn't it?

The Administration should not insult us all with more task forces and committee studies. Instead, BGSU should make a commitment to a genuine

policy of nondiscrimination which treats LGBT students, staff, faculty and administrators as respected members of the BGSU family.

JULIE HAUGHT
LECTURER
DEPT. OF ENGLISH

Flyer in paper was dishonest, made threats

I am appalled that you included the flyer from Downtown Democracy as an insert in Monday's paper. This flyer preys on the worst fears of college-aged students and was, in my opinion, a dishonest representation of the current status of the possibility of a draft.

Although the small print states that this flyer is not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee, I consider it yet another scare tactic from members of the Democratic party. America has historically supported freedom from tyrants and members of both parties, including the current Democratic candidate for president, voted for our current actions.

Yet as election time draws near, those same candidates — forgetting our own country's history — now say it is the wrong war at the wrong time in the wrong place and blame our President for having the courage to stand up and fight for fellow human beings. Where would we be now if the powers of the world had not stood up to tyrants such as Hitler in the past and instead retreated into the comforts of their own homelands? What happens to one affects us all

eventually. And so we as a country chose to fight for the oppressed with the knowledge that, making their world a better place, also makes ours safer.

If Downtown Democracy had chosen to set up a table in the open areas of campus to distribute their literature, I would have agreed with their freedom of speech right to do so. But I do not agree that it was prudent to include it as part of the BG News.

CARLA BLINN
UNIVERSITY STAFF MEMBER

Nuisance laws should prompt students to vote

The current controversies concerning Bowling Green's zoning and nuisance party ordinances can serve as lesson in why it's important for students to vote. Students' opinions will naturally carry more weight with city officials if such students are registered to vote in Wood County, and if they regularly take part in local elections. Therefore, students should be sure to find out how the various local officials measure up in regards to students' concerns, and then vote accordingly on November 2nd.

By the way, the ballot will also list candidates for president of the United States. Students should vote for the presidential candidate who best represents their own interests, as well as those of the nation and of the world.

RICHARD ANDERSON
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
DEPT. OF PSYCHOLOGY

PEOPLE ON THE STREET

If you were to run for president, who would you want to make your vice-president?



BYRON LEWIS II
FRESHMAN, MUSIC ED.
"Colonel Sanders. He makes a lot of people happy with his food."



DAN LENZER
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"MacGyver. He can do anything."



J. R. WEBER
FRESHMAN,
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"Gary Coleman, because he ran for governor of California."



SOPHIA DAILEY
SENIOR, BIOLOGY
"Bruce Willis. He's hot for an old guy."

Segregation only a problem to some

AT ISSUE: Not everyone is concerned with racial separation, which could be a problem later in life.

If everything is always right, then something must be wrong because nothing is perfect here on earth. We live in a society that has many great things to offer; however, there are still problems many of us face on a daily basis. Most have no overnight solution, and some may not have a solution at all.

Social problems, in my opinion, are defined by the citizens of a society. What I may consider a social problem, someone else may not because it may not be an issue where they live.

One social problem that hits close to home is segregation. I grew up in an all-white, rural, small town in Central Illinois where I witnessed white flight on more than one occasion.

White flight is when white people move to a new location because blacks moved near them or somewhere in their neighborhood. Later in life, I would experience similar situations in Cincinnati, Ohio, where segregation is an issue of concern, as well as racial oppression. Many U.S. cities, particularly those in the Midwest and Northeast, are racially segregated.

Some main reasons why segregation exists today include poverty, racial oppression in specific regions and white flight. I believe segregation is a result of people being honest and knowing within themselves that they cannot or chose not to live near people of races different from theirs. At the end of the day, people are more comfortable around their own kind, so in many ways, segregation does make sense.

For the most part, segregation is not institutionalized. In some cases, segregation is something the citizens of America created for themselves and deemed as necessary.

Segregation is highly visible in society and is even found at Bowling Green State University.

Bowling Green is home to a diverse, but small population. Without the University, Bowling Green would not be diverse. Even though the campus itself has a nice blend of people, I notice segregation here on a daily basis. It's at the parties we go to, classes, church, and so on. Every time I go inside the Student Union, I expect to see and do see a select few tables filled with several African



JEREMY DUBOIS
Opinion Columnist

"Segregation can be a problem for some people and be a preference for others. It is a social problem but that depends on who is looking at it."

American students, and maybe a few Hispanics here and there.

On the flipside of things, I see countless tables filled with only Caucasian students. It used to bother me, but now I have a clearer understanding of why it's like that. There are not many minority students at Bowling Green, so the few that are here tend to stick together because we all share the same struggles and can relate to each other well.

Things on campus such as housing honors students in Kreischer-Darrow and housing international students on the 3rd floor of Kreischer-Compton are also segregation, but an accepted and non-controversial segregation. In other places around the nation, segregation becomes a more serious issue.

Segregation can be a problem for some people and be a preference for others. I stated earlier that it is a social problem, but that depends solely on who is looking at it. It has the capacity of leading to more serious issues such as racial tension and racial oppression, but it's found all over the United States and can easily be overlooked because there are even more serious issues facing society than segregation.

I know most of us tend to feel more comfortable around people who are similar to us in whatever way, but we could miss out on some interesting people if we always did that. We choose to separate ourselves from others most of the time, but it doesn't have to be like that. This is college, and it will ultimately prepare a good handful of us for the real world. And believe me, the real world is diverse.

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Keep those letters comin'.

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THIS WEEK'S
BAD JOKE:

Q: Did you hear
about the two
television sets
that got married?

A: The ceremony
was horrible, but
the reception
was great.

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We didn't forget Poland.

Sympathy for the koala nation



JIM LEVASSEUR
Humor Columnist

Everybody loves koalas — that is, except the Australians. Those crazy mates from down under have apparently developed a seething hatred of the cute, cuddly creatures that everyone else adores. And when I say "all Australians," I mean "all Australians not including the Crocodile Hunter," because he is actually not considered an Aussie.

I don't know how it's possible, but somehow he has managed to annoy every person in Australia, which is probably the most laid-back country in the world next to North Korea. I have on good authority from an

Australian friend of mine that the Crocodile Hunter is considered an embarrassment to their country; sort of like Anna Nicole Smith and the United States, or Celine Dion and Canada, or Rico Suave and mankind.

But enough about quality celebrities and more about koalas. Despite not being able to sing or dance (or in the case of Anna Nicole Smith, eat a lot of food and become fat), koalas have captured our hearts and minds for hundreds of years. I mean, after we stopped catching them and killing them for their fur in the 1920s, THEN we started loving them nonstop.

The Australians have always had a hate-hate relationship with koalas, though, which dates back (I am not making this up!) to their civil war in 1933 when the koalas took the side of the

New Zealanders and squared off against the Australian kangaroos in a battle for control of the nation's kiwi supply. Believe it or not, this epic fight was not much different than how a battle between the United States and Canada would turn out (say your prayers, eh?). But ever since then, the Australians have had it out for koalas.

Take, for example, this recent story from CBS News: Australian officials announced several days ago that they were going to spend \$358,000 to plant contraceptives in over 2,000 koalas. Now, I realize that every once in a while someone comes up with an absolutely amazing idea that makes us go

"Brilliant! Why didn't I think of that?"

This is not one of those ideas. In fact, it may be the stupidest thing I've ever heard, and that's before I learned that koalas are an endangered species. I know the Australians are on the bottom of the world and their toilets swirl the other way, but how could any sane person decide that stopping an endangered species from reproducing is a good thing? I could think of thousands of different uses for those contraceptives, most of them involving Liza Minelli and her husband David Gest.

The Australians might as well just take a gun and shoot the koalas, because those defenseless animals have no chance at surviving now. While they're at it, the Aussies should go up to China and get rid of the world's panda population; I've never

"Every once in a while someone comes up with an absolutely amazing idea. This is not one of those ideas."

liked pandas anyway.

I know what you're thinking, but this is all true! I can't possibly make up stuff this absurd, and CBS News wouldn't dare try. I mean, they haven't exactly been what you might call "reliable" lately, but sometimes in journalism trivial things like "accuracy" and "telling the truth" get in the way of great stories, and we just have to accept that sometimes certain people (Dan Rather) will stretch the truth a little (lie through their teeth) just to get the biggest scoop (get laid).

This contraceptive idea is not alone; Australians have a long history of hating on the furry little dudes. For example, 45 miles off the south coast of Australia lies Kangaroo Island, where thousands of koalas were "introduced" nearly 100 years ago. Despite the fact that 80 percent of the eucalyptus trees in Australia have been destroyed to make room for cities, some Australians have complained that the hungry koalas have deforested nearly the entire island. It's not enough to banish the koalas to some tiny island in the middle of nowhere; now they have to complain that the koalas are actually trying to survive.

Does any more need to be said? I rest my case — we must invade Australia to remedy this great injustice. If that doesn't work, at least we'll have a nice fur coat.

No animals were harmed in the writing of this column, but if they were, it's their own fault. Send your comments to jlevass@bgnet.bgsu.edu.

BG NEWS WORD SEARCH

"Embracing the Courier New font."

Directions: Answers can be found across, down, diagonal, backwards and even diagonal backwards. Really, it's not hard.

This week: The College Budget

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We apologize for leaving out some of the necessities some of you buy every week, but shampoo is not a right, it's a privilege.

Interject This!

Professors should not voice their opinions during class... right?



MATT SUSSMAN
Blunder Achiever

Tension seems to be everywhere. Opinions are going back and forth between people like tiny silver balls in the hit 1990's board game "Crossfire."

The classroom is no exception to this scenario.

You'd think professors would keep silent about their own beliefs during class, but that's not the case. They all do it. How dare they tell us what they think, right?

After all, it's not like column writers accidentally interject their opinion in their columns. ***RALPH NADER HAS HIS HEAD UP IN THE CLOUDS*** It's done in a calculated fashion, not inserted haphazardly. ***SNAKES GIVE ME THE WILLIES***

Students are stressed enough about meeting deadlines. ***GPA IS OVERRATED*** and maintaining good grades. They want to know the material and know what to study for the test. Students shouldn't have to be subjected to a tirade about the government by some loose-lipped TA. ***BIG BROTHER IS INVADING MY PRIVACY***

Even if an instructor does nothing more than rant about his or her personal life, ***I ENJOY A GOOD BACK RUB ONCE IN A WHILE*** we don't care, and they probably think we do care. How dare someone interject their own beliefs during a serious discussion! ***ITALIAN FOOD GIVES ME GAS***

Students tend to be outraged when a professor with one viewpoint conflicts with a student's political ideology. Student's don't like it when profs say something contrary to their own beliefs. ***STUDENTS ARE TOO LAZY AND DRINK TOO MUCH***

In one of my classes, I was subjected to opinions by high-paid employees of the University — opinions I didn't

request and cared not to hear. ***THIS YEAR, THERE WILL BE A BRAVES-ANGELS WORLD SERIES***

So what if my professor is going to vote for a certain candidate? That's great — it's his right to vote, and that's what makes this country great. ***NEXT TO "THE PRICE IS RIGHT" AND SUSHI*** It doesn't change what we believe, so what's the point? We look up to you to learn, ***YEAH RIGHT, WE DON'T CARE ABOUT GEN-EDS*** not to hear your inner thoughts. If we want to know your opinion on a serious matter, we will ***BREAK INTO YOUR HOUSE AND STEAL YOUR DIARY*** ask you during scheduled office hours.

This could be a dangerous practice. People in high places — like the editor of the Not News section — ***THAT'S NOT A POSITION OF POWER, THAT GUY IS SUCH A TOOL*** could throw their own beliefs into a place where they don't belong. Journalists who appear on television fall into this category. ***EXCEPT FOR TIM RUSSERT, THAT DUDE KNOWS INTEGRITY***

Granted, rarely does a classroom hear such an offensive and inappropriate comment by an esteemed professor. ***PUPPIES TASTE GREAT, ESPECIALLY WITH SWISS CHEESE*** and usually profs will make their comments at the beginning of class — prior to the lecture. I mean, doesn't that upset you when ***MY ROOMMATE'S HAMSTER DIED LAST WEEK*** teachers inserted irrelevant information in the middle of a lecture? It throws the audience off and distracts them from the main ***THERE'S NO CHEESE LIKE STRING CHEESE*** point.

Here's some advice for students: pay attention to your profs and listen to their words. There might be something in there that you can use against them. ***I HAVE UNNATURAL FEELINGS TOWARDS WALRUSES*** That might keep them quiet for a while. Then they can stick to teaching the class. ***UNLESS IT'S ECONOMICS, IN WHICH CASE NOBODY CARES***

Opinions can be taken the wrong way when people disagree with them. Maybe people shouldn't be so quick to ***SLASH THEIR TIRES*** complain, but rather take opinions in stride and worry about ***CRAPPY CAMPUS FOOD*** more important issues.

*Matt would love to hear from his readers. ***BECAUSE HE HAS NO FRIENDS OF HIS OWN*** Drop him a line at msussma@bgnet.bgsu.edu.*



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BG SPORTS BRIEFING

Bengal gets DUI

Cincinnati Bengals defensive end Justin Smith was arrested early yesterday and charged with drunken driving after he failed a breath test.

Smith, 25, was stopped because his truck was weaving. He had a blood alcohol level of 0.152, the report said, nearly double the state's legal limit.

According to the police report, the deputy who pulled over Smith said he smelled alcohol and that Smith had bloodshot eyes and a flushed face. Smith missed when he tried to touch his nose with his index finger during the sobriety test, the report said.

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BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

Tennis revs up

By Matt Hawkins
SPORTS REPORTER

After back-to-back weekends of intense tournament play, The BG women's tennis team hosts its first dual-match of the season against Wayne State on Thursday.

Falcons head coach Penny Dean said the competition from Wayne State will not be a rough as what they've faced so far, but it is just as important.

"It'll be the start of our record as a team for the season and it's important for the freshman to

get a feel for the dual-match," Dean said.

Those Falcon freshmen include Jenna Nussbaum and Andrea Volle. Both advanced to the back-draw finals of the Wolverine Invitational last weekend but each lost in their respective finals in three sets.

Sophomore Ashley Jakupcin has also dominated her competition in the first two tournaments. Jakupcin defeated Xavier's Stephanie Bauer in the number two singles final of the BGSU Invitational, and scorched Western Michigan's Carrie Jeanmaire in the back-draw final of her flight during the Wolverine Invitational.

Jakupcin also became the first falcon ever to defeat Bauer in her four years of playing in the BGSU Invitational and her victory against Jeanmaire was her first in three tries. Dean said Jakupcin has already made a significant impact in such a short time.

"She beat darn good players," Dean said. "She's really improved her game up a level."

Along with Jakupcin, Dean said every other player has moved their game up a notch as well.

"It's not just maybe four are playing well and five are struggling; everybody's had a taste of the level they can play," Dean said.

Junior Heidi Romer said this is the best this team has played in the three years she's been here and she is confident that the team will play well on Thursday.

"We are all ready to kick butt," Romer said. "I think we could sweep (Wayne State) 7-0."

Dean said she hopes everyone will carry the momentum built from these first two tournaments into their first dual-match.

"I feel like we have good confidence now," Dean said. "Hopefully we can build on that and it will carry over for the rest of the season."

The Falcons host Wayne State on Thursday at 3:00 p.m. at Keefe Courts.



Ben Swanger BG News

FOLLOWING THROUGH: Erica Wolfe of the BGSU tennis team generates a powerful swing in practice as the team prepares for Wayne State on Thursday.



Ben Swanger BG News

DOWN YOU GO: Lineman Devon Parks sacks Temple quarterback Mike McGann this past Saturday in a 70-16 Falcon victory.

CMU offense pose tough test

Falcons look to their
defense to come up
with a win Saturday

By Adam Hritzak
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Bouncing back against Temple after a disastrous game at Northern Illinois, the Falcon defense faces a tough offense this weekend.

Heading back out on the road for the third straight week to play Central Michigan (2-2, 1-0 in conference), the major task at hand for BG (2-2, 0-1) will once again be to stop the run.

Chippewas halfback Jerry Seymour, first in the Mid-American Conference averaging 101.8 rushing yards a game, is a quick runner who can go the distance.

"I think Seymour is a fabulous back," said BG head coach Gregg Brandon.

Seymour reminds Brandon of NIU running back Garrett Wolfe, who torched the Falcons for 202 yards two weeks ago,

as he stands a mere 5'6" and weighs 190 pounds.

"(Seymour) might be better (than Wolfe) and we didn't tackle him," Brandon said. "We need to get around (Seymour) and swarm him."

CMU's running game starts with their offensive line, which returns four starters from last season and totals 105 career starts as a unit. Senior left tackle Adam Kieft was a second team All-MAC selection last year.

After facing the Chippewas a year ago, the Falcon defense is fully aware of the challenge that awaits them up front and ranks their O-line among the best.

"Their offensive line is one of the better offensive lines," said defensive end Devon Parks. "Personally, I wouldn't say they rival with Oklahoma, but they're up there."

Junior Kent Smith, holding 687 passing yards and four touchdowns, has taken over

FOOTBALL, PAGE 8

Soccer aims for first win this Friday

By Matt Deighton
SPORTS REPORTER

The Bowling Green Men's soccer team came into this weekend's games with poise and enthusiasm. Their mission: To get their first win of the season.

Last weekend's losses in offensive battles against Ohio State and Marshall showed that the Falcons have the ability to attack and do what wins games: Scoring.

The only problem is that the games that they do score, the other team is scoring more.

This weekend the Falcons were handed a pair of shut outs, falling 2-0 to Oakland on Friday, and 4-0 to Akron on Sunday.

In a game that Head Coach Fred Thompson called, "A solid Division One game," BG came out and matched evenly with their 5-1-1 opponents, however with the tendency of giving up late, heart-breaking goals, they were unable to hold the Golden Grizzlies of Oakland.

BG goalie Tyler Dollins recorded eleven saves to keep the game in reach, but the Falcons just couldn't capitalize.

"We played well," Thompson said, "this was a very solid, well



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IT'S ALL IN THE HEAD: Matt Yanick (3) shows no hesitation to use his head when trying to help the team win.

organized and disciplined team. We had our chances and we missed. Now we have to move on."

The Falcons coach led his team against the visiting Akron Zips on Sunday afternoon. Thompson's squad was looking to put strong pressure on the goal and come out with an early lead.

Bowling Green was able to defend well and create great scoring opportunities yet could not meet their offensive goal.

After a scoreless first half, the Zips came out with consecutive goals within a single minute of each other, taking a 2-0 advantage.

The Falcons gained some momentum back with several promising attacks on offense, however Akron was able to respond with a goal by Steve

Kalan to drive a stake in BG's chances of a comeback.

"After two goals, we were right back in it," Thompson said. "It seems like whenever we have some momentum in our favor, something bad happens and we can't recover."

With a 0-12 record, Thompson believes that his team is beginning to climb their way out of the deepening hole that has slowed them down this season.

"Every week we build our confidence right back to where it needs to be," Thompson said. "Even though we are losing, we all know that we are fighting and that the first win will come."

The Falcons hope to get into the win column this Friday when they take on the Northern Illinois Huskies at 2 p.m.

Volleyball hopes 3rd year is the charm in Indiana

By Jason A. Dixon
SENIOR REPORTER

The Bowling Green volleyball team travels to face Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne tonight at 7, having lost two consecutive games for the first time since starting the season 0-3 back on Sept. 4.

But when the Falcons waltz into Hilliard Gates Sports Center, they will have a much deeper motivation for defeating the Mastodons than to just simply "get back on track."

After all, IPFW has beaten BG in each of the last two seasons, including a 3-0 sweep back at the Northwestern Labor Day Invite last month.

Head coach Denise Van De Walle said seeing the Mastodons earlier in the year would benefit the team.

"I think what's going to push us is that we lost to them," she said. "We have to be thinking about a little pay back, because we also lost to them last year. So it's pay back time."

Maggie Karges said the Falcons will come into the game focused.

"I think it's going to be a good game," she said. "We're going to



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ANTICIPATE AND KILL: Amber Mareski is eager to get a win tonight vs. IPFW, a team that has had the Lady Falcons number in past matches.

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Pippen announces retirement

By Rick Gano
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Scottie Pippen played the sidekick to basketball's greatest star, creating a partnership the Chicago Bulls parlayed into an NBA dynasty with six titles in the 1990s.

Pippen's career came to an end yesterday as he announced his retirement following 17 years in the league. He made the announcement standing in front of the six championship trophies he helped the Bulls win.

"As I stand here and as I look back, I don't think Michael (Jordan) had any championship trophies without me," Pippen said of a basketball relationship that was mutually beneficial.

Jordan already was a star when Pippen arrived in 1987. Four seasons later, they brought the Bulls their first title.

"It was a taste for us we had never had before," Pippen said, looking back on the five-game victory over the Lakers.

There were two "three-peat" championships interrupted by Jordan's unsuccessful foray into baseball and a 72-10 regular season that may never be surpassed.

"He was playing with the best of all time," Bulls coach Scott

Skills said. "I don't know, maybe Michael wouldn't have gotten them without Scottie, either. You could make a case for that, for sure."

Pippen, 39, chosen one of the NBA's 50 greatest players in 1996 for the league's 50th anniversary, was known for his all-around play—especially his long-armed defense at 6-foot-7 against some of the league's best scorers. The seven-time All-Star directed the Bulls' famed triangle offense with his ballhandling skills.

"Michael was here seven years before they started winning championships," said former Bull Bill Wennington.

"What was the problem? He needed someone who agreed that you needed to go up the court and work your backside off to get it done. And Scottie was that guy who came in and said, 'Yeah I will do that and you know what? If I'm the second man, that's OK.'"

After 11 years with the Bulls, Pippen left after the 1999 lockout and played one year in Houston and four more in Portland.

Looking for some leadership, the Bulls brought Pippen back last season to work with their young team. But he had knee surgery in December and played

in only 23 games as the Bulls went 23-59.

It was the first time in his career Pippen missed the playoffs. Only Kareem Abdul-Jabbar with 237 has played in more postseason games than Pippen (208).

Pippen finished his career with a 16.1 scoring average to go with 6.4 rebounds and 5.2 assists. He said one of his biggest thrills was being a member of the first "Dream Team" that won the gold medal at the 1992 Barcelona Olympic.

Pippen said his various injuries have left him unable to play a full season. Still, the Bulls will pay him the \$5 million remaining on his two-year contract this season, general manager and former teammate John Paxson said.

"After 17 years, I got all the basketball out of me I possibly could," Pippen said.

And unlike Jordan, who made two comebacks after retiring, Pippen promised he's finished.

"There won't be any return for me," he added.

While Pippen was being heralded yesterday as a consummate teammate, there was one selfish episode during Jordan's one full season away from the game that will

always be remembered.

Unhappy when a final shot was called for Toni Kukoc instead of him, Pippen sat out the final 1.8 seconds of Game 3 of the 1994 Eastern Conference semifinals. Kukoc made the shot to win the game but the Bulls lost the series.

And the 1997-98 season had barely started when Pippen, recovering from foot surgery and unhappy with his contract, demanded a trade. He eventually returned, but his bitterness with then-general manager Jerry Krause festered.

Krause, who acquired Pippen's rights in a draft day deal for Olden Polynice in 1987 that turned out to be one of the team's best-ever transactions, has his own banner hanging from the rafters at the United Center.

Next season, the Bulls plan to retire Pippen's No. 33.

Pippen plans to stick around Chicago and be a volunteer coach of sorts, working with some of the Bulls' younger players during training camp.

"I've done all I could as a player," Pippen said on how he would be remembered. "I kind of leave that up to the fans and individuals to judge me on how I was as a player and a person."

Earnhardt's swears cost more than cash

By Mike Car
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A slip of the tongue on TV cost Dale Earnhardt Jr. first place and \$10,000, penalties imposed by an increasingly image-conscious NASCAR.

Earnhardt was docked 25 points yesterday in the Nextel Cup standings for using a vulgarity in an NBC interview after his victory at Talladega Superspeedway, dropping him to second place with seven races left in the season. He will appeal the point penalty.

Earnhardt still gets credit for the 14th victory of his career Sunday, and he has plenty of time to make up the deficit on new leader Kurt Busch, with up to 190 points available at each race.

Nonetheless, the punishment was criticized by Earnhardt's team as too harsh, and it served

as another example of how NASCAR is trying to shed its image as a sport that traces its roots to Good Ol' Boys running moonshine through the hills of Georgia and the Carolinas.

"The popularity of this sport is based on colorful personalities and the fact that everyone can relate to these drivers and their emotions," said Richie Gilmore, director of competition for Dale Earnhardt Inc. "Now it seems like that's a detriment."

Enjoying tremendous growth in mainstream popularity lately, the racing league landed a \$2.8 billion television contract with NBC and Fox that began in 2001, and this season switched the sponsorship of its top division from cigarette-maker R.J. Reynold's Winston brand to telecommunications giant Nextel.

As part of the whole scrubbing-up process NASCAR president Mike Helton told drivers in February to watch their language on radio and television. Less than a month later, he showed he meant it: Johnny Sauter lost 25 points for swearing during a radio interview after a Busch Series race in Las Vegas.

Ron Hornaday Jr. also was fined and lost 25 points for cursing during a live radio interview in June during a Busch race in Dover, Del.

"Helton made it clear ... that

we, as a family sport, were taking this very seriously and adhering to FCC guidelines," NASCAR spokesman Mike Zizzo said. "The timing is unfortunate for Dale Jr., but NASCAR also made it clear to the competitors that we would police the last 10 races just like we did the first 26."

It's also part of an overall trend in sports and media, the most talked-about example being Janet Jackson's "wardrobe malfunction" during her halftime performance at the Super Bowl. CBS was fined a record \$550,000 by the FCC for Jackson's breast-baring, and federal regulators cracked down on other objectionable content on TV and radio.

"I know the FCC has been hard on everybody since the Super Bowl mess, and we should have clean language."

Mike Helton tells us to act like there are people from 8 to 80 that are watching us, but it's tough," driver Elliott Sadler said. "I can understand if we do something stupid on the race track to get penalized for it ... but as far as cussing or saying a bad word, maybe they should be a little lenient on that."

Networks have installed delays of up to 10 seconds for some programming, and ABC's "Monday Night Football" is using a 5-second delay this season. NBC does not give itself a chance to censor its NASCAR telecasts, though.

That's why viewers in nearly 7 million homes were able to hear Earnhardt use a vulgarity when he was asked about the significance of his fifth victory at Talladega. Earnhardt told NBC, "It don't mean s--- right now. Daddy's won here 10 times."

Earnhardt's father, easily the most popular driver of his era, was killed in a last-lap crash at the Daytona 500 in 2001.

Father and son won the adoration of millions in part because they built reputations for saying whatever they're

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Jeff Roberson AP Photo

FOREVER REMEMBERED: Named one of the NBA's 50 Greatest Players of All-Time, Scottie Pippen announced his retirement after a long and successful basketball career. Pippen was a member of six NBA championship Chicago Bull teams.

Buckeyes try to explain loss to Wildcats

By Rusty Miller
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

After losing at Northwestern for the first time since 1958, there is plenty of blame to go around for Ohio State. Even coach Jim Tressel is willing to take a heaping helping.

"Northwestern can be a very, very good football team," Tressel said yesterday during a post-mortem of Saturday's 33-27 overtime loss to the Wildcats. "They proved that Saturday night. I'm not sure I did as good a job getting that point across."

A lot of points apparently didn't get across for the Buckeyes (3-1, 0-1 Big Ten), who plummeted 11 spots in the poll to No. 18 after getting outplayed in almost every facet of the game.

The already moribund running game mustered a not-so-grand total of 97 yards. Quarterback Justin Zwick had at least two

turnovers for the third time in his four collegiate starts. And the defense, which came into the game among the best in the land, was continually beaten for big plays while surrendering 444 yards.

"If you put together all of the parts of what you need to do to win the game, we didn't do those, so it's not a mystery to me why we didn't win," Tressel said.

Still, his team lost even though it was favored by two touchdowns, hadn't lost to Northwestern in Evanston in 46 years and hadn't been beaten by the Wildcats anywhere since 1971.

Defensive tackle Quinn Pitcock said the Buckeyes did not look past Northwestern to this week's showdown with No. 15 Wisconsin (5-0, 2-0). At the same time, he acknowledged he and his teammates may not have been focused on the job at hand.

"Maybe there wasn't as much heart as they (the Wildcats) may have put into it," he said.

Tressel said the Buckeyes will need to summon all the heart and talent they have to keep from falling to 0-2 in the conference for the first time since 1992.

"It will be a great challenge for us to see if we can understand the difficulty of the task," he said of the Wisconsin game. "(We have to) understand what needs to be done if we're going to win the football game and climb back in the race in the Big Ten."

To do that, the Buckeyes must improve dramatically in several areas, Tressel said.

—The Buckeyes didn't get their kicks. Punter Kyle Turano averaged just 39 yards a kick and the Wildcats averaged 12 yards on their two punt returns.

"We need to be superior in our special teams," Tressel said.

"Unfortunately, we had our poorest punt production that we've had all season."

In addition, kicker Mike Nugent missed a 40-yard field goal on Ohio State's only possession in overtime.

Even though Santonio Holmes had a 63-yard punt return for the Buckeyes' only touchdown of the first 41 minutes, Ohio State had several penalties, missed blocks and missed tackles on kick coverage.

—Good plays don't necessarily erase the bad ones. Zwick finished 18 of 38 for 211 yards with one interception and one touchdown. With Ohio State trailing 27-17 early in the fourth quarter, under constant pressure he completed 6 of 12 passes for 90 yards the rest of the way. He also made

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IPFW a tough foe

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be really intense and ready to play, because I know we want to get another win after this weekend."

BG has evolved into a different team than what IPFW last saw two games into the 2004 season.

The emergence of the freshmen, established depth and team chemistry are big reasons why the Falcons (9-6, 2-2) have won nine out of 12 games, Taylor Twite said.

"I think that we're more comfortable playing with each other, because that was our first week playing and we

had so many new people out on the floor," said Twite, who leads the team with 3.33 kills per game.

"We were just trying to get use to what everyone was going to do and how things were going to flow," she said. "I think we're there now, and we know what to expect from everybody else and play much better as a team."

Following IPFW, the Falcons will end their five-game road trip at Toledo and Northern Illinois—two teams they defeated nearly two weeks ago—Friday and Saturday, respectively.

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Road to World Series entertaining

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Then you have the teams that have made sporadic appearances since the inception of the three divisional system in 1994, such as the Houston Astros, Anaheim Angels, Boston Red Sox, and the St. Louis Cardinals along with baseball's best record in 2004. Speaking of the Astros, they are trying to win their first postseason series in franchise history here in their seventh try. To do so, they'll have to defeat the Braves. Atlanta has won 13 consecutive division championships, but only one world championship, another annual sub plot in October.

I'm sure that all of you are expecting a postseason preview with predictions of all series from the Wild Card round to the League Championship Series to the ultimate autumn showcase, the 2004 World Series. Sorry to disappoint you, but I'm smarter than that.

The way I see it, the best thing about the postseason in baseball is the fact that it's completely unpredictable. It's like a whole new, much shorter, much more important season right after the previous one ended.

One of the reasons that the postseason is something I would never bet on is pitching. Take, for instance, the League Division Series, a new best-of-five series which enabled four more teams on top of the original four that had been playing for the championship since 1969. A trend that has only recently become evident is the rotating of starting pitchers in a best-of-five series. If a certain team only has one or two effective starters, they can start them in games one and two, and again in games four and five. It does involve short rest (most times three or four days), but in October, it's hard to find a pitcher who isn't willing to stretch themselves so their team can get the eleven wins needed to experience baseball euphoria. They do, after all, have the entire winter to rest before they even have to throw a baseball

again! For example, former Arizona Diamondbacks pitcher Curt Schilling started games one, four, and seven of the 2001 World Series en route to knocking the New York Yankees off of their world championship pedestal.

In case you decided to skip the last paragraph for some odd wacked-out reason, starting pitching rotations can have major implications on the outcome of a postseason series. However, there is more to it than just defense. Many teams are carried by one player with a big bat. Those teams usually don't make it past the end of September. Then there are teams that have great hitters and a supporting cast of role players that most times will find success. However, when many of them are duking it out in a playoff series, they won't have a chance if their big bats aren't making contact with that little white ball traveling faster than most other things on this earth. Most times these players will hit a random slump at the worst possible time. Other times, like future hall-of-famer Barry Bonds until 2002, a great player will simply not be able to perform at the plate. Bonds made it to the postseason four times as a member of the Pittsburgh Pirates and once as a member of the San Francisco Giants until he finally started hitting. He hit just like the National League batting champion he was during his monster postseason run in 2002, including a batting average of almost .500 and five home runs in the Giants' 2002 World Series loss to Anaheim in seven games.

Many people say they don't enjoy baseball because it's "too slow." The fact is that it's a game of anticipation and that's what makes it great, but that's another column. The point is that even those who aren't fans of the game might enjoy the 3 1/2 to 4 weeks in October if they decide to tune in, that is if they don't mind staying up until close to midnight.

OSU searching for a reason

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plays with his feet, gaining 18, 11 and 8 yards on three big carries to lead the comeback that forced overtime.

Still, Zwick had an interception and was sacked twice during that span for 20 yards in losses. And he also lost a first-half fumble that resulted in a Wisconsin field goal.

"That is definitely not good enough," Zwick said. "It's something that's going to happen and it's something you have to learn from. That's life. You're not going to be perfect all the time. But I definitely feel bad about putting our team in that situation in the game."

—The defense was manhandled for the most part, appearing to be confused at times as Northwestern mixed a variety of misdirection and counter plays with straight-ahead runs that netted tailback Noah

Herron 113 yards on 33 carries and two touchdowns.

In the overtime, after Nugent was just wide right on the kick that might have given the Buckeyes their only lead of the game, Northwestern took over possession and needed just four plays to notch the winning TD.

"We always talk about playing relentless defense if you're going to win on the road," Tressel said. "We probably didn't have as good a performance there as we've had all season, which is obviously disappointing."

The Buckeyes have little time to get things turned around for one of their toughest tests of the season.

"It was a shock all Saturday and into Sunday, but we've moved on," Pitcock said. "There's nothing you can do about it. There's another game this week for us to worry about."

NASCAR levies hefty fine to #8

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thinking. Some fans have criticized NASCAR for trying to turn its drivers into colorless automatons, who show little emotion and whose choreographed post-race celebrations revolve around repeated mentions of sponsors.

"This whole incident is going to force everyone in the sport to rethink showing any excitement in what should be a jubilant moment," Gilmore said.

Little E wasn't available for comment yesterday. On

Sunday, he defended his use of colorful language.

"I hope they understand that it was in jubilation and I know me and those other guys that got fined let it slip, but it's two different circumstances. I think that when you're happy and joyous about something and it happens, I think it's different than being angry and cursing in anger," Earnhardt said.

"If anybody was offended by the four-letter word I said ... I can't imagine why they would have tuned into the race in the first place."

BGSU football recognizes C. Michigan foe

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the role as quarterback for CMU from senior Grant Arnoldink. Smith's 49.1 completion percentage shows he is adjusting to the system and trying to get comfortable in games.

BG needs to pressure Smith and prevent him from getting in the flow of the game.

"We need to force them to throw the ball (early)," said Brandon. "Smith is still learning his passing game and we need to force him to learn it another week."

On the season, the Falcons have recorded just three sacks and have not been in the backfield as much as they would like.

"Our pass rush is nowhere near where it should be right now," Parks said.

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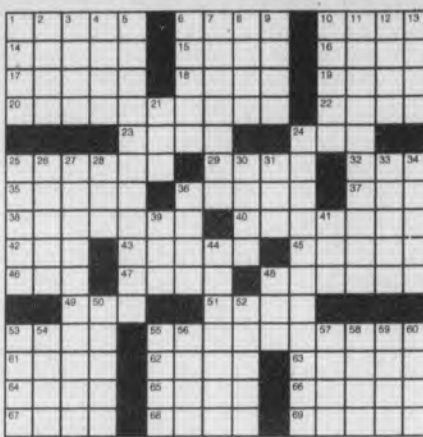
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Shark Tale (PG): (12:00), (2:20), (4:40, 7:10, 9:40)
No Passes
Ladder 49 (PG-13): (12:40, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30) No Passes
Mr. 3000 (PG-13): (12:30, 4:50, 7:35, 10:05) No Passes
The Forgotten (PG-13): (11:55), (2:10), (4:30, 7:25, 9:40)
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